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Fall Overcoats at 12, worth ... 18
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Medium Weight Overcoats at 10, worth 15
Medium Weight Overcoats at 12, worth 18
Good Beaver Overcoats, in black, blue and green, at $14, worth ... 24
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Chinchilla Overcoats at $6.50, worth ... 10
Chinchilla Overcoats at 8, worth ... 12
Chinchilla Overcoats at 10, worth ... 16
Chinchilla Overcoats at 15, worth ... 25
Chinchilla Overcoats at 20, worth ... 30
Finest Chinchilla Overcoats satin lined, at $27, worth ... 45
Ulsters at $6, $8, $10 and $12, worth fully double.
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Suits for 15, worth 25.
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Suits for 18, worth 30.
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FOR BOYS FROM 4 TO 11 YEARS OLD.

Suits from $3.50 to $10, worth fully double.

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Bl'k cloth suits, Prince Albert style, $20 w'th $40
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Gossamer Coats at $2.50, $3, $3.50, worth $5 and $6.
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HE.—I have resolved that I'll never smoke again.

SHE.—And I that all my dresses shall be plain.

HE.—I mean to get along without my beer.

SHE.—I will not buy a bangle all this year.

HE.—From lodge and club I mean this year to fly.

SHE.—One bonnet in each month is all I'll buy.

HE.—I'll not lose cash at poker now each night.

SHE.—All dry goods shops I'll banish from my sight.

HE.—Billiards, and pool, and cards I'll throw aside.

SHE.—I'll wear old frocks, and get my kid gloves dyed.

HE.—I'll parties shun, and only dance with you.

SHE.—I'll buy no jewels, save a ring or two.

HE.—I'll find some place where I can buy cheap clothes.

SHE.—And I'll stop buying costly embroidered hose.

HE.—Of resolutions, dear, there's quite a stock.

SHE.—Enough, when broke, to pave below a block.

### HUMOROUS.

A striking business—Boxing matches

A figure head—The lightning calculator.

A distant relation—A telegraphic dispatch.

A Kentucky stock breeder has just failed, with 130 mules among his assets.

When you size up David Davis the trouble with him is that he isn't David after all, he is Goliath.

The burglar's romance: Chapter I.—He tried to get the shekels. Chapter II.—He got the shackles.—*Courier Journal.*

When a woman wants to get rid of her husband for an hour she sends him upstairs to get something from the pocket of her dress.

One of the sweetest pictures of domestic economy is a poet blacking a white stocking so that it won't show through the fissure in his boot.

A Cortland man who read at the end of a friend's marriage notice "No cards," sent him a euchre deck by the first mail.—*Marathon Independent.*

"That man is so good-natured that he would hold an umbrella over a duck in a shower of rain," observed Jerrold once of a brother dramatist.

"Yes," said the captain of the ocean steamship, "we had a very expensive trip this time. Very little sea-sickness; passengers ate frightfully."—*Boston Post.*

The *Hotel World* says "a porter in one of the Chicago hotels is worth $100,000." He may be worth it, but you bet he doesn't get it, by a lot of chalk.—*Hawkeye.*

A correspondent asks: "Do canary birds like fish?" Well, we can't tell whether they do or not; but they manage to catch a little perch every day.—*New York Commercial.*

The deacon's son was telling the minister about the bees stinging his pa, and the minister inquired: "Stung your pa, did they? Well, what did your pa say?" "Step this way a moment," said the boy," "I'd rather whisper it to you."—*Funny Freaks.*

A little three-year-old girl, while her mother was trying to get her to sleep, became interested in some outside noise. She was told that it was caused by a cricket, when she sagely observed: "Mamma, I think he ought to be oiled."—*Elevated Railway Journal.*

"The healthiest persons," says Dr. Hall, "are those who sleep in the top story." But there is nothing new in this statement. Hotel proprietors have been acquainted with the fact for years, and have always endeavored to make their guests as healthy as possible.—*Boston Transcript.*

We are not captious, but when a photographer puts a bottle of whisky where we can see it, and then says, "Now look natural," we are prepared to tell him that we don't go around with a hanker-for-whisky look in our eyes, and he can't do any more work for us.—*Somerville Journal.*

An Austin gentleman bought a buggy horse which was represented to be perfectly gentle. After the trade had been made, the money paid over, and the new purchaser was leading off his horse, the former owner called to him: "I say! When you want your buggy repaired there is a man on Pecan street who will do it very cheap."—*Siftings.*

A few weeks ago, during a heavy storm, the Rio Grande river suddenly changed its course, by cutting through a bend near Camargo, and thus placed several acres of inhabited territory within the legal limit of the United States. It was awful severe upon, and nearly drove crazy, a man who had just paid his taxes in Mexico, and found that the American tax collector would call in two days.—*Somerville Journal.*

THE MODERN RAILROAD ACCIDENT AND ITS RESULTS.

Man's
Back
Across
Track.
Engine
Rolls
Man
Snores.
Engine
Rushed;
Man
Squashed.
Widow
Snorts,
Seeks
Courts.
Lawyer
Weeps,
Jury
Sleeps.
Judge
Charges
Heavy
Largess.
Jury
Hollers
"5,000
$!"

### Amusements.

REV. H. M. BROWNE.

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4. True object of courtship.
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6. Proper age to marry.
7. What is a companion?
8. Courtship should reveal the true character.
9. We should marry for the future as well as for the present.
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His celebrated Lecture on Courtship and Marriage. 2nd Good and Bad Luck on the Secrets of Success, or the art of making Money. Also his very highly intellectual and classical lecture on the Formation of Character. The Conditions: One half of the proceeds. Address J. W. STEVENSON,

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### Elisabetta Sirani.

Among the followers of Guido Reni this young woman, who died when but twenty-five years old, is conspicuous for her talents and interesting on account of the story of her life. She was the daughter of a reputable artist, and was born at Bologna about 1749. She was certainly very industrious, since one of her biographers names one hundred and fifty pictures and etchings made by her, and all these must have been done within a period of about ten years.

Much has been said of the ease and rapidity with which she worked; one anecdote relates that on an occasion when it happened that the Duchess of Brunswick, the Duchess, of Mirandola and Duke Cosimo de Medici, with other persons, all met at her studio, she astonished and delighted them by the ease and skill with which she sketched and shaded drawings of the subjects which one after another named to her.

The story of her life, aside from her art, gives an undying interest to her name, and insures her remembrance for all time. In person she was beautiful, and the sweetness of her character and manner won for her the love of all those who were associated with her. She was also a charming singer, and was ever ready to give pleasure to her friends. Her admiring biographers also commend her taste in dress, which was very simple; and they even go so far as to praise her moderation in eating! She was well skilled in all domestic matters, and would rise at daybreak to perform her lowly household duties, never allowing her art to displace the homly occupations which property, as she thought made a part of her life.

Elisabetta Sirani's name has come down through two hundred and seventeen years as one whose "devoted filial affection, feminine grace, and artless benignity of manner added a luster to her great talents, and completed a personality which her friends regarded as an ideal of perfection."

The sudden death of this artist has added a tragic element to her story. The cause of it has never been known, but the theory that she died from poison, has been very generally accepted. Several reasons for this crime have been given: one is, that she was sacrificed to the jealously of other artists, as Domenichino had been; another belief was that a princely lover, whom she had treated with scorn, had taken her life because she had dared to place herself, in her lowly station, above his rank and power.

A servant girl named Lucia Tolomelli, who had been long in the service of the Sirani family, was suspected and tried for this crime. She was sentenced to banishment; but, after a time, Elisabetta's father requested that Lucia should be allowed to return, as he had no reason for believing her guilty. And so the mystery of the cause of her death has never been solved; but its effect upon the whole city of Bologna, where it occurred, is an exact matter of history.

The entire people felt a personal loss in her death, and the day of her burial was one of general mourning. The ceremonies of her funeral were attended with great pomp, and she was buried beside her master, Guido Reni, in the chapel of Our Lady of the Rosary, in the magnificent church of the Dominicans. Poets and orators vied with one another in sounding her praises.—*St. Nicholas.*

An 800-acre farm in California has been provided for the twenty-two ostriches which were lately housed at Central Park, New York.

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In our next issue we shall make a review of the career and services of Hon. J. H. Lewis, of the Ninth Illinois district. Mr. Lewis is a true friend to the colored race.

The President made an excellent appointment when he appointed Mr. Armstead to succeed Commissioner Morgan. Let us have a reform in the District government. Mr. Armstead is a gentleman and a wide-awake man.

The banquet to be tendered Hon. Fred. Douglass on the first of January by the representative men of the country will be one of the grandest events in the history of this country. A complete program will appear in our next issue.

What the people of this city need is the right of suffrage. Gen. E. W. Whitaker and Professor R. T. Greener are the best men to put at the head of a suffrage movement. Let the General and the Professor put their heads together and go to work.

## PUBLIC MARKET HOUSES.

THEIR LEGITIMATE USES AND THEIR ABUSES.

Public market-houses and places have from time immemorial been the resort of necessity of the people of the village, town, or city. They are, in some places, the peculiar institutions of the country, as the places of necessary resort, where is afforded the best opportunities to study the character and morals of the people, and where, with much certainty and profit, observations can be accurately made that will show pretty nearly just what the tendencies of the public habits and morals are. With these facts as to public markets as places of resort for nearly all classes, the BEE has visited most of them in this city, especially at night, to see what was to be seen. At St. Mark's Square, Venice, some years since, it was the custom for all the people to assemble in the afternoon and early evening for social intercourse, to partake of refreshments, and to listen to a full brass band discourse fine music. So excellent were the police arrangements that all doubtful characters quietly left this square at 7 o'clock P. M., it being one of the police regulations that such doubtful characters should not be seen in this square after that hour, and after 9 o'clock P. M. the streets were also cleared of these people. This of course could be done there because of the excellent police regulations, and because all doubtful characters, resident or otherwise, in this city were known and registered by the police.

In free America we have no such police laws or regulations, and it is therefore much more the duty of the general public, parents and guardians to protect society, and frown down any immoral or lude behavior on the part of men and women, young boys and girls in public places, where of necessity respectable and decent people are required to visit.

Our public market houses in this city have largely grown to be resorts of loose characters—young men and women, boys and girls who promenade through them using improper language, flirting, and by a system of handkerchief signs communicating their evil thoughts and purposes. This is especially true of young girls ranging between 10 and 20 years of age. To a close observer one of the sadest pictures that could be presented is the great number of young girls that frequent these market-houses, with no legitimate purpose or necessity for their visits. They can be seen in groups passing up and down and through these market-houses, and by their boisterous and light conduct attracting the attention of the free and easy young libertines who go there especially to witness such sights.

Naturally these young girls, embryo fast women, carry their market-house flirtations into the public avenues and streets, and there, by making signs of recognition and invitation, degenerate into the most foul vice; hence we now have hundreds, it may be stated thousands, of street-walkers of young girls, and as alarming as may appear the statement, and still more sad is the fact we have hundreds of places, some situated on our best and most frequented public avenues and streets, where these young people can enter and be screened in their vicious habits and purposes from public scorn and contempt.

No lover of morality and well-wisher of the young can walk about the streets at night and not see these painful sights, but especially is this true about the market-houses Saturday nights. In view of these facts would it not be well, therefore, for parents, knowing the temptations of metropolitan life, to guard more closely their young daughters from night walking, and even from going about the city in the day without their permission and full knowledge. And what is the purpose of the girls in leaving their homes? Would it not also seem a part of the duty of the police to do their utmost to try to save these young girls from destruction? Are there no laws that authorize the police to stop and arrest young girls who are by their behavior giving evidence of bad conduct and purposes, and who at least are, by such conduct in such a place, exposing themselves to moral ruin. These facts apply to both white and colored alike, the only difference being that the one class of juvenile offenders, in most cases of the depravity referred to, are much more boisterous in their rude behavior.

We are very much pained to see that the police are less mindful of their duty in these important matters than their duties or oath of office would seem to require of them, and that so long as the rude parties are made up entirely of colored youth suffer them, though they may be young girls of tender age and little judgment, to run their race of riot into the worse form of vice.

The BEE respectfully, in view of these facts, but most earnestly calls the attention of parents to this growing evil. If parents would save their young daughters and sons from the shame and degradation of vice, they should see to it at once that night street walking, night market-house promenading, night meetings of every kind, including church night meetings, are prohibited or guarded in such a manner as that no moral harm will accrue to the young girls and boys. Let us all strive our best to save the rising generation to virtue and respectability, to honor and usefulness, to Christianity and the good of society and our beloved country, and the inheritance of an eternal life of happiness.

## THE BETHEL LITERARY ASSOCIATION AND ITS ENGLISH PRESIDENT.

This association was started under very good auspices and at a time when such an association was greatly needed. Its founders deserve much credit; it has been kept non-sectarian, quite liberal, and generally the meetings have been orderly and respectable. The general intelligence and high cultivation of this community made the association at once a success. Music, vocal and instrumental, essays, papers on important subjects, addresses from distinguished, able and thoughtful men and women have been a part of the interesting programme of exercises of this association. It has been peculiarly American in its invitation to all and exclusion of none worthy to attend its meetings. But like all successes in the right direction, it has a ready band of vultures to shape things for their own aggrandizement, glory and honor. Observing friends of this association have for some time noticed the growing tendency to restrict and contract the high purposes of its founding to denominational man worship and glorification. The facts have been lost sight of, that an intelligent general public and men and women outside of church denomination, have made the Bethel Literary Association a success; but for the talent outside of the denomination whose officers started it, it could not have succeeded without the valuable material, however talented a few remaining members might have been. It would have degenerated into a mere "church denominational petty association," of no general importance, hence, it is a pity to have the "Bishops" of the A. M. E. Church, whose authority in that church and whose teachings from the pulpit cannot be answered, gainsayed or denied at the time of utterance, to come into this association and nearly at all times take a leading part in debate, and expect not to be answered and to consider it disrespectful to themselves to have the fallacy of their views on the topics discussed shown up by intelligent members and invited guests; it is all well enough for them to hold forth from the pulpit, because in that sacred place the bishop and preacher can put forth ignorant crude views and conclude themselves to be wise and their doctrines to be acceptable, as no one would have the temerity to object, or comment upon what was said by the bishop or preacher from the pulpit, but in the literary association, where criticism is expected and invited under its own rules, it must not be expected that men of original ideas and brain force, of individuality and reputation, will accept an invitation to discuss matters presented, and allow themselves to be misrepresented and brought into public ridicule by the decisions of the president, in violation of the *rules* of the association and all accepted parliamentary law and usage, and of courtesy and good breeding, usual among well-bred people. The president of this association is very unfortunate in his constant allusions to the English people, society, and the great public men of that country, as the superior models for the American people to follow. His peculiar English training may make him see a great horror in a simple man daring to attempt to controvert the conclusions of a bishop; he, no doubt, as a well-trained *English subject*, feels keenly the embarrassment in having an *ordinary man* reply to a *bishop*, but he should try to remember that he is now in America, and as an act of gracious courtesy he has been honored to preside over a fine literary association of ladies and gentlemen; therefore, subserviency to high church officials, blind obedience to their dictum, at the expense of good sense and manners, and in violation of the rules of the association, is an insult to the intelligence of the audiences which have honored him with their presence, and is an outrage upon the freedom and decency in debate. Impartiality, courtesy, dignity and true politeness should be characteristic of the president of such an association, to which this particular gentleman could add with much personal advantage—modesty; he is so self-conceited, that upon all occasions, and upon every question, paper, essay, or address, he forces himself before and upon the association. It would be a great pity to break up this fine association, but its days are numbered, if its members are to be forced to listen to the repeated harangues and submit to the arbitrary acts of this Englishman, whose education and views are monarchical, and of that disagreeable flunkeyism generally exhibited by the low-class English to their superiors and titled nobodies of superior rank. We have dignified a very small man by editorially referring to him, but the Bethel Literary Association is too important to a cultured community, to allow the "rank weeds" to grow, that will finally choke it to death, when with little effort they could be removed. It is the importance of this association to the public that must serve as our apology for this article, for certainly outside of his opportunities for good and evil, as the presiding officer of this association, this Englishman has no social, moral, or political significance, nor is he in any manner individually of sufficient importance to give him this extended public notice. We are, therefore, constrained to say that the course of this Englishmen in his attempts to suppress free and legitimate debate, and the obtrusion of his harangues, and the impolitic course of the bishops, will drive from the association such able men as Rev. Mr. Waring, Mr. Cardoza and others, who are the able thinkers and debaters of our people, who are an honor to their country and incalculable benefit to the rising generation, who have greatly profited by listening to their polite, wise and timely remarks, when they have seen fit to speak or write for the association.

## PUBLIC COLORED SCHOOLS OF WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN.

UNDER THE CONSOLIDATED BOARD—1874-5.

XII.

The first of Board the Consolidation consisted of the following named gentlemen, to wit:

George F. McLellan, Edmund F. French, Wm. R. Woodward, George W. Dyer, Benjamin F. Lloyd, Frederick Douglass, Sr., Henry Johnson, John H. Brooks and W. Perry Ryder, of the city of Washington; Anthony Hyde, W. W. Curtis, and F. W. Moffatt and John H. Ferguson, of the city of Georgetown; C. B. Smith, Professor J. W. Chickering, Jr., and Solomon G. Brown, of the county.

The Board was organized August 10, 1874, by the election of Mr. McLellan, president, and Mr. John H. Brooks, secretary. Mr. Douglass declined the office, and the commissioners requested colored schools to allow a representative for the white city schools to be appointed in his stead. As has been stated early after the organization a most decided difference of views on school matters developed among the white members for the city schools, lead on the one side by Mr. McLellan, and on the other by superintendent J. O. Wilson. This difference of opinion as to the best method of management of school affairs begot a very better state of feeling, and as the president evidently was attempting through the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, to centralize all power of administration in himself as president of the Board. Going so far as to assume control of the duties of the executive officers and the committees, it soon brought matters to the attention of the appointing power which resulted in the Board being enlarged and the retirement of Messrs. McLellan and Solomon G. Brown. The views of superintendent Wilson and his friends were supported by a majority of the Board and Commissioners.

The personal relationship of the white and colored members was very friendly and mutually respectful, and with one or two exceptions the white members were ready and willing to obey the laws and do justice to the colored schools; hence, when the estimates were prepared to be submitted to the commissioners to be by them sent to Congress through the president the legal apportionment of the colored schools was properly and lawfully estimated for and recommended.

It was early seen, however, by the representatives of the colored schools that a decided effort would at once have to be made to secure fair paly and have the laws obeyed, because of an influence felt but not seen, which began at once to manifest itself in gross misrepresentations. The first and most important question arose by the representatives of the colored schools demanding the lawful apportionment of the school fund for the erection of the "Curtis" school building in Georgetown, which had not been paid, and which was merely evaded by a base clerk in the comptroller's office failing to take up the public expenditure upon the books of the District Government. As very important results followed the action of Messrs. Johnson and Brooks, we will give sufficient of the official correspondence to make the matter clear.

OFFICE SUB BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COLORED SCHOOLS OF WASHINGTON AND GEORGETOWN,
*Sumner Building,*
*Washington, August* 25, 1874.

*To the Honorable the Commissioners of the District of Columbia:*

GENTLEMEN: We have the honor most respectfully to call your attention to the act of Congress approved July 23d, 1866, which provides "that the cities of Washington and Georgetown shall pay to the Trustees of Colored Schools such a proportionate part of all moneys received or expended for school or educational purposes, including the cost of sites, buildings, furniture, and books, and all other expenditures on account of schools, as the colored children between the ages of six and seventeen years in the respective cities bear to the whole number of children, white and colored, between the same ages; the money shall be payable on the first day of October of each year, and, if not then paid, interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum may be demanded;" and the act of the Legislative Assembly of the District of Columbia entitled "An act to secure the simultaneous payment of dues to the white and colored schools of Washington and Georgetown," approved June 28, 1873, for the purpose of imforming you that the sum of fifty-three thousand dollars has been expended for the erection of a public school building in the city of Georgetown, and that the proportion due the colored schools of $30,000 of the above amount has not been allowed or paid, in accordance with the acts above cited.

This letter recited the antecedent legislative history of the bill of the local Legislative Assembly that authorized the expenditure of the money and erection of the "Curtis" school house in Georgetown, and gave the legal status of the colored schools quite fully, concluding as follows.

First. That the Governor of the District of Columbia and the Trustees of the Public Schools of Georgetown, acting as the agents of the government of the District of Columbia, borrowed from the Trustees of the Linthicum fund $30,000 under authority of an act of the Legislative Assembly of the District of Columbia, for which public property belonging to said District of Columbia was mortgaged for security of payment; that the money so borrowed was expended for the erection af a public school building in the city of Georgetown, and that under the act of Congress approved July 23, 1866, and of the Legislative Assembly of June 28, 1773, there is due the colored schools a proportion of all amounts expended, and should be allowed and immediately paid.

Secondly. That as only a proportion of money actually paid for the support of the public schools of Washington and Georgetown are allowed and paid for the support of the colored schools of said cities, it is absolutely necessary to the existence of the latter that the proportionate amounts that may become due be ascertained and promptly paid, in accordance with existing law; that the assumption that money borrowed by authority of law by the agents or servants of the Government for which public property is mortgaged, and the faith of the Government pledged to repay, is *not* "public," but "private," funds, and can be used to build public school buildings without regard to any proportion that may be claimed as due the colored schools under the acts of Congress and Legislative Assembly before mentioned, *is erroneous*, and in violation of the letter and spirit of the law, and would, if adhered to, effectually abolish for the present the colored schools in the cities of Washington and Georgetown.

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The adjustment of this account is of such importance to the interest of the colored schools for the next school year commencing September 1, 1874, that we have to respectfully request a reply to this communication, as to what action the Commissioners may deem proper to take in the case.

We are, gentlemen, most respectedly,
HENRY JOHNSON,
JOHN H. BROOKS,
*Trustees and members of Sub-Board for Colored Schools of Washington and Georgetown.*

The letter of Messrs. Johnson and Brooks was referred to the Attorney for the District of Columbia, who under date of January 4, 1875, rendered an opinion sustaining the views of the two Trustees named. The opinion was prepared by General William Birney, Assistant, and concurred in by E. L. Stanton, the Attorney.

This important decision enabled the "Randall" school house to be erected

The pressure on the columns of the BEE compels us to defer a complete review of the first year of the Consolidated Board, but we expect in our next issue to be able to give some interesting facts.

MR. EDITOR:—In your issue of the 18th instant you speak in flattering terms of the Hon. L. C. Houck's colored appointments from the Second Tennessee Congressional district. I wish to call your attention to the fact that there is one more staunch, dyed-in-wool Republican Congressman from Tennessee. I refer to the Hon. Wm. R. Moore, of the Tenth (Memphis) district. While Mr. Houck has done well, Mr. Moore has done better, notwithstanding the fact that this is Mr. Moore's first term in the legislative halls of the nation.

Mr. Moore has caused to be appointed Mr. R. Davis to an assistant doorkeeper's position at the Capitol; Mr. S. S. Carter a position in the House folding room; Mr. C. H. Shotwell to a first-class clerkship in the Pension Office; Miss Fannie J. Bradshaw to a position as copyist in the Land Office (which she has subsequently lost, and is now engaged as a teacher in the city public schools of Memphis); Mr. Carter Harris as local mail inspector at Memphis; Mr. James E. White as clerk in the Memphis postoffice; Mr. James Wright as carrier of mail; Mr. Henry Tobridge as mail agent in the river mail service; Mr. Govern as railroad mail messenger, and your subscriber a first-class clerkship in the Pension Office.

Now, Mr. Editor, I think this quite a flattering record for a business man with only one term, his first in Congress, to make. Honor to those to whom honor is due.

L. M. BROWN.

Mr. Brown has given vent to his feelings, and it is hoped that the people of his district will decide which of the two Congressmen should be weighed in the balance and found wanting.—ED.

The tunnel cut into the main range of the Rocky mountains, 150 miles south west of Denver, Col., is the highest either in America or Europe, and its approaches are described as marvels of engineering skill, laid through scenes unrivalled for grandeur and magnificence. It is 1,700 feet in length and 11,500 feet above the sea. So nicely was the engineering done, that when the workmen met the variation in the bores was only about one inch. It was the work of the Denver and South Park division of the Union Pacific railroad.

The smallest insects are proportionally the strongest of all animals, according to some ingenious experiments by M. Pateau. It was found that a horse can pull six-sevenths of its weight, a cockchafer fourteen times its weight, and a bee twenty times its weight.


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## OUR PHILADELPHIA LETTER.

THE GRAVE YARD DISTURBERS BEFORE COURT—A COLORED MAN TO BE SENT TO THE COMMON COUNCIL, NEWS, ETC.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18th.—The desecration of the graves of Lebanon cemetery is still the current topic of conversation. On Friday the four miscreants were arraigned at the bar of justice; they all entered pleas of not guilty, but when the jury was impaneled, they found that the foreman of the same was one of the despised race. The two white ghouls immediately changed their plea to that of guilty; they, seeing the handwriting on the wall, preferred being sentenced by the judge, than in being convicted by such a jury. The result was, they were taken from the dock, the colored ones stoutly maintaining their innocence until placed upon the stand, and under the sharp examination of the District Attorney they endeavored at first to lie themselves out of it, but were at last compelled to acknowledge that they were guilty, and were led to it for the sake of lucre.

The foreman, C. H. Davis, before the verdict was announced, desired to know if there was any way to hang them. Being informed in the negative, they immediately rendered a verdict of guilty. They are to be sentenced this week and will enjoy the Christmas hospitality of the State at old "Moyo." The next sensation was the arrest of Dr. Forbes, the demonstrator of anatomy at Jefferson College, as a dealer of cadavers, and the employes of these body-snatchers, upon a complaint of D. B. Bowser, one of the trustees of Lebanon, who also swore out affidavits against his (Forbes') two assistants, Drs. Loeman and Beman. Dr. Loemen pleaded that he had not been engaged in this nefarious business within three years. This being proved to be so the prosecution was barred from proceeding further by the statute of limitation. Dr. Beman could not be found. Dr. Forbes desired to have his trial go over to the next term of court, declaring that he could not obtain a fair trial on account of the current feeling and public sentiment. Justice Fell denied his request, and set his case down to be tried at this term of court. He was released from custody under $5,000 bail.

Our municipal election will soon be upon us and the candidates are commencing to show their interest in the "dear people." In one ward, the Seventh, which is strongly Republican, we have 1,600 votes. It is our intention to send one from our race to represent us in the City Council. Several have been named, but all have withdrawn in favor of Levi Cromwell, Esq., one of our leading business men, and brother to your cotemporary of the *Advocate*. A committee of the leading ward workers waited upon him on Monday to obtain his conset for the use of his name. The following reply was received by them on the 12th inst.:

GENTLEMEN—It having been intimated to me that my friends are anxious to use my name as a possible candidate for Councilmanic honors. I assure you that I have no such aspirations, but if the people of the Seventh ward deem fit to make me one of their standard bearers by giving me their nomination I bow to their decision and will consider it my duty and pleasure to serve them to the best of my ability.

I am sirs, respectfully,
LEVI CROMWELL.

Since his reply has become known Cromwell clubs have been springing up all over the ward, the whites are laughing at the attempt and say they know what will bring the ———, but I think they will reckon without their host. Mr. Cromwell is well known not only in the ward but in the whole city, a finer, nobler and more public-spirited a man cannot be found here, his pocket has ever been open to the cries of the needy and distressed of his race, and many a home has been made happy by his timely munificence. I trust that on the day of election no colored man will be found mean enough to take money for his votes, let us demonstrate for once to the other race that we cannot be bought.

Alex. Coats and wife have returned to Atlantic City, where they propose to remain this winter. I understand that Dr. Tanner is soon to visit your city as a guest at the Douglass banquet. One of the fair daughters of Washington has stolen the heart of our bachelor friend, Andrew J. Jones; so much so that he frequently visits your city. H. Price Williams is endeavoring to induce the citizens of Philadelphia to tender a banquet to Dr. B. T. Tanner, the able editor of the *Recorder*. One of the first affairs of the week was the reception of the Ladies' Uniforming Association of the Gray Invincibles. I have not the space to enumerate who were there; suffice it to say that all the belles and beaux were. Professor J. P. Sampson was with us for a few days. The Macedonian church, Camden, netted at its fair $50. This goes to the church building fund. The success of the fair is owing to the indefatigable efforts of Mrs. A. C. Stevens and Mrs. Mary Lackum. Mr. J. D. Kelley, 1115 Rodman st., will act as the Philadelphia agent of the BEE. Those desiring it will send their names to him.

OBSERVER.

## SCIENTIFIC SCRAPS.

Motions in drawing, writing and all mechanical labor are from right to left in inferior races, and the opposite in more highly civilized ones.

In the German army more and more attention is being paid to the science of aerostatics, and officers are being ined to make balloon ascensions.

Analyses by M. E. Reyer indicate that the bronzes used by the ancients contained neither lead nor zinc, but were alloys of copper and tin, with small quanties of nickel, iron, phosphorus, and occasionally cobalt.

Where the air is charged with sulphur fumes the tints of foliage in the fall, so noticeable elsewhere, are not produced, and there is no burst of glory in the woods before the trees sink into the repose of winter. The leaves simply blacken, shrivel up, and fall to the ground.

## THE NEWS.

A fire, caused by a spark from a locomotive, on Saturday destroyed the Missouri Pacific freight house at Kansas city, nine freight cars loaded with merchandise, and an elevator containing 40,000 bushels of wheat, the total loss being estimated at $80,000.

The principal business portion of Hopkins, Allegant county, Mich., has been burned, loss $21,000.

A fire at Gallipolis, O., destroyed several buildings.

The Baltimore and Ohio Telegraph Company has opened their line to New York.

John Spangler murdered his wife and killed himself at Baltimore.

Hon. Robert Ould, a distinguished lawyer, of Richmond, Va., and Confederate commissioner of exchange during the war, is dead.

There have been very heavy rains in Oregon and Washington Territory for three days, and much damage has been done to railroads, bridges, &c. by the flood. The Pendleton river rose so rapidly that many of the inhabitants were forced to take refuge in trees, where they remained all night. Mills, houses and other property were carried away. No loss of life has been reported.

Mrs. Einstein, her two children, and Margaret Buehler, a servant, living in New York, were poisoned by eating sausage. It was partaken of for supper, and shortly after eating it they all were attacked with severe illness, which lasted all night.

The Governor of Jamaica has telegraphed to New York that six hundred houses were destroyed by the great fire at Kingston and many people are homeless. A relief committee will be appointed in New York.

The Chicago Times says Mr. Vanderbilt is the leading spirit in the construction of the South Pennsylvania Railroad, which will give the Reading road a line to Pittsburg.

Mr. William H. W. Reed, of Reisterstown, was fired at from an ambush a few nights since, presumably on account of his activity in attempting to detect the murderers of Mr. William A. Russell four weeks since.

Twenty cars of a freight train on the Reading railroad were thrown from the track near Gilberton, scattering the freight in all directions. No trains passed during the day, the passengers and mails being transferred.

George, alias "Babe" Jones, who killed John Foster, was convicted of murder in the first degree at Pittsburg. He is but sixteen years of age, and is one of a family of eleven children whose parents reside in Washington. D. C.

A pouch at the postoffice, containing mail matter for the East, suddenly burst into flames from spontaneous combustion at Detroit, and was destroyed. It was filled with merchandise of all sorts.

The postoffice at Monroeton, Bradford county, Pa., was entered by burglars. The safe was blown open and several hundred dollars in stamps were taken, together with some registered letters.

The New York Police Commissioners received a communication from Mr. Henry Bergh, asking why sparring exhibitions and prize fights are allowed to continue, and protesting against "these detestable exhibitions." The board directed the letter to be delivered to Superintendent Walling, with instructions to enforce the law.

Near Middletown, Del., Robert A. Cochran's stable, twelve horses, twenty-five head of cattle and twenty-one head of hogs, valued at $5,000, were burned to death.

An east-bound passenger train on the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis railroad collided with a west-bound passenger train on a high curve between Foster and New Lebanon, about thirty miles from this city. Engineer Poke Peters, of the east-bound train, had his head cut off. Postal Clerk W. W. Wharton, living in Urbana, was also killed; W. H. Hanover, M. Hollingshead, Harry Madison, and Adam Goebelo, postal clerks, were seriously injured. Kiralfy's troupe escaped uninjured. Their elephant Bamboo was killed.

The steamship Wisconsin, from Liverpool for New York, collided with the bark Ella, of Portland, Buenos Ayres, for Boston, on December 14. The steamship laid by the disabled bark thirty hours, and put the chief mate and seven men on board to assist in pumping her out and to bring her into port.

Four charges preferred against George C. Rice, ex-president of the Utica, Ithaca and Elmira railroad, at the Tombs Police Court in New York by Henry S. King, of London, England—one for embezzlement, two for forgery, and one for larceny.

There was a great fire at Canton, China, on November 7 and 8. Eight hundred houses were destroyed and many lives lost, including firemen, who were burned to death. The vicerory visited the scene with a body of soldiers to prevent robberies, and fierce fights occurred between the thieves and the citizens.

The range of county lying between the western limits of Minitoba and the eastern boundary of British Columbia has been divided into four territorial divisions named Assinboia, Shakerstown, Alberta and Athabaska.

August Nast, a German, living in Oregon, Howard county, Iowa, died from trichnae, caused by eating dressed pork. His wife and three children are all sick from the same cause.

An earthquake shock has been felt in parts of New Hampshire.

Eight true bills of indictment were found by the grand jury in Philadelphia against Dr. Wm. S. Forbes, demonstrator of anatomy at Jefferson Medical College, for complicity with resurrectionists in the despoliation of graves in Lebanon Cemetery.

Thomas Doyle and Katie A. Morgan, giving the names respectively of William Latis and Katie A. Latis, who had been boarding at a house in Rochester, N. Y., were suffocated by gas in their room.

The case of Mrs. Scoville, who was recently adjudged insane at Chicago and then granted a new trial, has been stricken from the docket by agreement. It is reported that the unhappy couple are reunited.

The Ohio legislative bribery cases have been finally disposed of at Columbus. Representative Wright was acquitted, and a nolle prosequi entered in the case of Representative Block.

The court has confirmed the sale of the Marrietta and Cincinnati railroad. Exceptions were taken and notice of appeal given by the Cincinnati and Hillsboro Railroad Company.

The steamer Amsterdam, which arrived at New York from Amsterdam, reports that on December 15, in latitude forty-four degrees, ten seconds, longitude fifty-four degrees, fifty seconds, she passed the steamer City of Berlin, thence December 9th for Liverpool, bound west, with the steamer City of Chester in tow, the latter having lost rudder and rudder-post. The sea was rough, and a strong gale was blowing from the west. They were making about six miles an hour

A dispatch reports much excitement in Stokes county, N. C., over the discovery of the sale of Mrs. Alfred Jenkins to Mr. Noah Gildewell, a neighbor of her husband, for $300. The vendor's explanation of the transaction is that "he wanted to move away, and was not able to take his wife," while the vendee took her because he was "tired of living alone." No compulsion was used, for Mrs. Jenkins "cheerfully agreed to the sale," and transferred herself to Glidwell without any objection, and now expressed herself as perfectly happy and contented" in her new home.

The Atlanta (Ga.,) Constitution says: "It is well understood in financial circles that Gordon's trip to Europe, so far as placing bonds of the Georgia Pacific Railroad is concerned, was a failure. He did not dispose of a single bond.

Richmond county, Ga., has subscribed $60,000 to the Augusta, Elberton and Chicago Railrood, and Augusta, $40,000. The officers of the road feel confident of the success of the enterprise.

In the Hustings Court, at Richmond, W. B. Meredith and Wm. A. Smith, students in the Virginia Medical College, arrested last week while attempting to rob a grave in Oakwood Cemetery, have been each sentenced to six months in jail.

The report of the secretary of the Lynchburg Tobacco Association shows that 1,679,920 pounds of tobacco have been sold in that market since October 1, a decrease of nearly 1,000,000 pounds as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The falling off has been occasioned by bad weather.

James Lyons, the oldest and one of the most prominent lawyers of Richmond, died at his residence aged 81. He was for many years in public life.

The Wytheville *Enterprise* reports that Mr. D. G. Thomas, president of the Bank of Abingdon, has failed and made an assignment. His liabilities are said to amount to about $80,000. The failure is said to be attributable to injudicious stock speculations

A dispatch from Dallas, Texas, says: "A man giving his name as George Coleman has victimized the City National Bank of Dallas to the amount of $6,100 by a clever forgery. A week ago he presented a draft on the Hanover National Bank of New York for $3,300, issued by the Exchange National Bank of Norfolk, Va. The transaction turned out all right. Coleman presented another draft of the same Norfolk bank for $8,500 on another of its correspondents, the National Park Bank of New York. He wanted $6,100 in cash, and the balance be left to his credit. Though the transaction was artistically executed, suspicions arose, and telegrams exchanged revealed the swindle. There is no trace of Coleman."

A fire broke out on the steamboat Central City after leaving Monroe, La., and she was burned to the water's edge near Fenner's bar. The boat and cargo are a total loss. Fully insured.

A revenue officer at Atalla, Ala., while attempting to arrest Bob Thomas and N. T. Williams, two moonshiners, shot and killed Williams and dangerously wounded Thomas.

Two brothers, George and James Fraley, were arrested in Comanche county, Texas, charged with stealing cotton, and were placed under guard at Hazel Dell. At midnight a mob armed with shot-guns overpowered the guard and hung the prisoners on the same limb of a tree.

Revenue Agent Chapman, at Atlanta, Ga., reports that ten illicit distilleries, 44,000 gallons of beer, low wines and whisky were seized and destroyed; and six illicit distillers arrested in Pickens county. Deputy Marshal Fitzsimmons, who accompanied Deputy Collector Crawford, had his conveyance cut to pieces by illicit distillers.

At Wadesboro', N. C., Charles Perkins, a revenue agent from South Carolina, attacked Wm. Henley, an editor, for having publicly denounced him. Henley shot Perkins three times.

Nine prisoners recently escaped from the Pleasanton, Texas, jail have been stealing horses and shooting at citizens at night. They carried a Mr. Lewis to the woods and riddled his body with bullets.

### Washington News.

A treasury official, who has been looking over the old statutes, has discovered that under the act of July 4, 1836, all the departments must be kept open at least eight hours each day from October 1 to April 1, and at least ten hours each day from April 1 to October 1, except Sundays and legal holidays. He claims that this law has never been repealed and is still in force. It is said that the matter will be brought before the President and Cabinet.

The treasurer of the United States has received from "J. R.," attorney, the sum of four housand dollars in cash for account of the conscience fund. "J. R." states that the money is sent at the request of a client, and covers principal and interest.

Hon. Godlove S. Orth, member of Congress from the Ninth district of Indiana, died at his home at Lafayette, Ind., with blood poison.

The investigation of the relations existing between the detectives and the thieves of Washington, it is said, will be enlarged to include the chief of police and other high officials.

The sessions of the United States Senate Saturday was devoted to debate on Mr. Pendleton's civil-service bill, but an effort to reach a vote was defeated.

In the House the postoffice appropriation bill was further considered. All amendments for special mail facilities were voted down, as well as the amendments to defeat the cheap postage clause of the bill.

A decision has been rendered in the case of Major N. M. Curtis, who, while a special agent of the treasury, received contributions for political purposes from employes of the government in violation of the act of August 15, 1876. The question at issue was whether the act of August 15, 1876, is constitutional. Chief Justice Waite delivered the opinion of the court, sustaining the constitutionality of the law.

### Foreign News.

LONDON, Dec. 19.—Westgate was charged with the murder of Lord Cavendish in the Dublin Police Court yesterday and remanded

At Loughrea on Monday laborers paraded the streets and demanded work or food.

In the trial of Michael Flynn for the murder of the Huddys, testimony to establish an alibi was taken.

The council general of the Seine have urged the French government to proceed with the Simplon tunnel scheme as a rival to the St. Gotbard tunnel.

The storm on the coast of Scotland continued yesterday, and the crews of three wrecked vessels were drowned.

The unsettled relations between Russia and Germany have caused a panic on the Berlin bourse, depressing Russian exchange.

The Austro-German alliance is approved by the German press.

It is semi-officially announced that the relations of France and China are excellent.

The political prisoners at Damietta have been released.

The French budget committee has decided to vote 23,000,000 francs for the maintenance of the army of occupation in Tunis.

# THE BEE.

W. L. ARCHER, FINANCIAL MANAGER

## LOCAL.

Now is the time to subscribe to the BEE.

A great deal of important matter was crowded out this week.

Read King's Palace grand Christmas advertisement; one of the most popular resorts in the city.

Advertise in the BEE, the people's journal. Read our new advertisements in this week's issue of the BEE.

Our patrons who will receive on New Year's will please send in their names, so they may appear next week.

The Bethel Literary met on last Tuesday evening, and Mr. W. Lane was booked to read a paper on "Greek Art." "Rambling" would have been more applicable to his discourse, or conglomeration of nothing would have just as much interested his audience.

The Misfit Store at the corner of Tenth and F streets, Northwest, will give away one hundred suits of clothes at a sacrifice. The reason of this is that it is a Christmas gift to the customers. We are all going to the Misfit to get a new suit.

The children of St. Luke's Sunday-school and choir will give a musical performance, entitled "The Holy Child Jesus," at St. Luke's church, on Christmas eve, Sunday evening, December 24th, at half past 7 o'clock. The collection is for the benefit of the Sunday-school.

WHEELING, WEST VA., 1882.

Who knows him? A man by the name of Wash. Matton has a brother by the name of Nelson Matton; he belonged to S. Cortley's was sold before the war. We have learned that he was in or near Washington, D. C. Your nephew, GEORGE W. MATTON.

Wheeling, West Virginia. dec9-1m.

A wonderful quilt made by a blind lady, who after six years succeeds in completing it. This quilt has 595 pieces of fan shape, and it is all made of cotton, generally used for tidies. It will be raffled on December 27, tickets 25 cents at 1122, 18th street, give her a lift and chance it once.

Mr. George W. Stewart, of Virginia, has been promoted from a watchman to a clerkship in the pension office, this is a well merited promotion. George is a bright and energetic young man, and his many friends will rejoice at his success. Mr. Stewart is a whole-soul young man, and one whom everybody likes—genial and generous to a fault.

Christmas always causes one to be happy, especially when we have plenty of "Tom and Jerry," but that which gives us more comfort is when we exchange an old stove for a new one. Butler, at the corner of Fifth and K streets, will make over one thousand Christmas gifts this evening, provided you carry your old stove to him to be exchanged for a new one.

Mr George A. Williams, one of the most popular business men of this city, and perhaps one of the most enterprising, left the city a few days ago in company with Mr. W. Castin, on the steamer Sue, and stopped at Point Lookout and met with wonderful success by bringing home the following game: Seven wild turkeys, fifty-three ducks, two dozen partridges, forty-eight rabits, and seventy squirrels. The public should go to the Philadelphia House, kept by Messrs. Williams and Meredith and get a good meal of this fine and fresh game.

The Rev. Mr. Carroll, of Asbury Methodist Church, made a short address, after the visiting minister had finished last Sunday evening, that was sharp, very pointed, and had its effect. He said that it gave the appearance of very bad breeding, besides it had much of an uncivilized character to it, for persons to begin to stampede and leave the church before the benediction was pronounced and the services concluded. We notice that only one person left church last Sunday evening before the last words of the benediction fell from the pastor's lips. It is charitable to surmise that the person that left was called away by sickness in his family, if not, then by something that comes within the range of what Mr. Carroll said would be an excuse for a person to leave the house of God during worship. If this mean and ungodlike habit continues, it will be necessary for the pastor to call out *their* names, and *our* duty to state the causes and inducements that prompt persons to act so rudely in the house of worship.

## PERSONALS.

There is a marriage mania in Washington.

Invitations for Miss Ruth Fishers marriage are out.

Mr. C. C. Stewart, the business manager of the BEE was in Baltimore last week.

Mr. A. P. Albert, whose name was left out in the article of law debating Society of Howard University law school will represent Jones in the discussion.

Rev. H. M. Browne, will lecture at the 15th Street Presbyterian Church, on Friday evening, December 29. Dr. Browne will lecture on a popular subject, and the public should not fail to attend. The admission will be 25 cts. See advertisement elsewhere.

The city of Morris, Ill., has been putting down an artesian well on the highest point of land in the city, and at the depth of 854 feet struck a fine flow of magnetic water, which is so strongly magnetic that the pipes through which it runs became so magnetized as to hold up nails. The boring, after leaving the coal at seventy-six feet, to the depth of 340 feet, was alternately through fire-clay and lime-rock. At 340 feet St. Peter sand-stone was struck, and at 650 feet a hard stone, which appeared to be highly magnetic, was struck, in which they drilled 200 feet. The water has been highly spoken of by those who have made magnetic treatment a specialty, and the cures of various diseases are spoken of as very wonderful from the use of water of similar character to this well, which has been found in other parts of the country.

## A NIGHT IN PEKIN.

### Curious Sights in a Chinese City.

At set of sun life in Peking, as far as the streets are concerned, ceases to exist; doors are closed, shops shut, and the inhabitants retire within their houses. Not even the most important thoroughfares are illuminated; at certain corners, where the police have their stations, miserable dirty paper lanterns are lit up, which shed no light whatever. Every one who goes abroad, whether on foot, in Sedan-chair, or by cart, must carry a lantern. The streets of the Imperial and Tartar cities may be said to be entirely deserted; it is in the Chinese city only that there is anything going on at night. Each city is shut off from the others at sundown, and the gates are not again opened under any circumstances until daybreak. I resided in the Tartar city, and it was in the Chinese city that I wished to make my nocturnal ramble, so that there was no remedy but to make a night of it. My companions declined to accompany me, so I had reluctantly to undertake the excursion alone.

My guide hired a cart for the whole night, and we started from our hotel at about half-past six in the afternoon. It was necessary to set out thus early in order to pass through the gate before it was locked. I had not yet dined, so I directed my interpreter to conduct me to the best hotel in the place, and gave him carte blanche to order for me and himself the best dinner procurable. I need scarcely add that an inn of European character was entirely out of the question; the only European hotel in the whole of Peking is that kept by M. Vrard, in the Tartar city, where I was staying. I knew this perfectly well, and had made up my mind for a Chinese repast, served in Chinese fashion. It was in the narrow court-yard, then, of a thoroughly native rest-house that the cart stopped. My conductor, a most excellent and thoughtful fellow, had taken the precaution of bringing my travelling-rugs, which, if useful to alleviate the bruises caused by the jolting of the cart, were now equally so to obviate the hardness of the brick couch in the rest-house. He spread them then on the kang, and I was not sorry to lay me down and take a short repose after a long ride. With book and cigar I whiled away the time until my dinner should be ready. In about half an hour it was served, and copious enough it was in its way; fish, chicken, mushrooms, *beche de mer* (a species of edible sea weed, brought, I believe, from Japan, of which the Chinese are exceedingly fond), all in separate dishes, or rather small basins, with two sorts of gravy in little bowls, two kinds of pickles, and soft, unleavened rolls of white flour, quite hot. The drinkables were *samshu* of two different strengths, the one to imbibe while eating, the other at dessert—the former was flat, mild, and rather flavorless, the latter rough and potent—both, to my palate, disagreeable. *Samshu* is a spirit distilled usually from rice, although it may be made from potatoes, beans, or sugar-cane; it is of a whitish color, and not altogether unlike bad whiskey much under proof. It serves the Chinese in lieu of wine, which they never make from the grape. Some fruit was brought, and the repast concluded with the inevitable tea. Chopsticks were the only implements supplied, but as I had already become tolerably adroit in their manipulation, I was quite able to get my victuals into my mouth without the use or any other instrument. I can not say that I enjoyed my meal. It was not the first time that I had tasted pure Chinese cuisine, so that the food was not altogether foreign to me, nor were the viands in their way badly cooked, but the taste of almost everything one eats is more or less acquired, and a matter of education; as my tongue was unschooled in the language, so my palate had not yet been tought to appreciate the cooking.

Anything more primitive, strange, and weird than the Chinese quarter of Peking by night can hardly be imagined. "Dim darkness" in the tortuous streets, unbroken by a single ray from the sombre houses, and unrelieved by the paper police-lanterns, posted at rare intervals, looking in the distance like spectres, or by those of the few pedestrians, which, bobbing up and down in the obscurity, have the appearance of so many will-o'-the-wisps; the rumbling of an occasional cart, for which one has to make way at the risk of falling into a yawning cess-pool, the black depths of which, as I held my lantern over the brink, looked still more horribly black in the gloomy night; the monotonous sound of the watchmen striking together the pieces of bamboo with which they announced their presence; the groans of the mendicants crouching in the doorways; the cries of the ambulant venders of food who wander through the street, or attract stray passers-by to their temporary stalls, pitched for the nonce in some out-of-the-way nook or corner—all these strange sounds and apparitions suggested to my mind a home of evil spirits, the departure of demons after a Sabbat meeting, or the breaking up of pagans on a dark Walpurgis night. A thunder-storm now burst upon us, and added its effect to the lugubrious scene. The lightning was vivid in the extreme, and the rain came down in such torrents that the thoroughfares were soon converted into muddy water-courses, and further exploration was rendered impossible. My conductor proposed that we should return to the rest-house, but as it was already long past midnight, I ordered a trial at the gate. My suggestion proved to be good. A mandarin on his way to the palace had just passed through, and the custodian, caring more for his comfort than for orders, or thinking perhaps that no one would be stirring in such terrible weather, had omitted to close the portals after the official. We got through, then, without hinderance. The storm had rendered the morning air very chilly, and I was not sorry to regain my hotel and creep into bed.

### Hunting Truffles.

The employment of the pig in searching for truffles (a kind of mushroom) is probably originated in Italy in the fifteenth century, and his services are now highly valued in this connection. But it is a kind of pig quite different from the obese animal which is the pride of breeders. He trots before his master, and on reaching the place of search he smells the ground and stops where a truffle has attracted him by its aroma. A curious scene then ensues. The pig begins vigorously to dig his snout into the ground, throwing up the earth and stones, sometimes kneeling on his short forelegs so as to obtain a better purchase. When he has reached the truffle, however, the gatherer steps in, and with an iron prong disengages it from the soil. He generally manages to save it from the hungry jaws of his agile auxilliary, but sometimes the pig will seize it and run off, the gatherer pursuing. After much grunting and resistance, however, the animal is intimidated into giving up his prey, and the grotesque struggle ends. The gatherer is careful not to beat the pig in case the latter might refuse his future services, or become too distrustful. The dog is also employed as an assistant in truffle gathering. the barbont or barbet dogs of the Milanese and Piedmont being regarded as the best. Their use in this way also originated in Italy. At one time, in the German courts, "truffle hunting" with dogs was quite a fashion. But where the truffle is largely cultivated as a lucrative product, the pig is generally preffered on various accounts. He has greater force of snout, and can dig up hard ground better, doing three-fourths of the work of excavation. The dog is sooner fatigued, is less steady at his work, and often wounds his paws in scraping out the stony or compact ground; besides, he leaves his master more to do. Still, the dog is found a valuable aid to the poacher of truffles. These men, living by fraud, are obliged to extend pretty widely the field of operations, train the dogs just to mark with their paws the place where truffles are to be found.—*Caterer.*

### The Hospitable Poles.

The Poles are extraordinarily hospitable. They entertain without grudge. At every table in the large houses some extra places are laid ready for unexpected guests—as they say, "for the traveler that comes over the sea." It is possible in Poland to go uninvited to visit your friend, taking your children, your servants and horses, and to stay five or six weeks without receiving any hint to go. The Poles are fond of gayety, of amusement and of society. They love pleasure in all its bright and charming forms. The country houses are constantly full of visitors, and in the winter there is often the "Kulig," a gathering which increases as it goes from house to house. It is taken from a peasant custom, and the nobles, when they get up a "Kulig," wear the peasant costumes, very beautifully made. They go over the snow in sledges from house to house, dancing for two or three days at one and then going on to another, taking the people of the house which they leave with them. At last, there are perhaps twenty sledges all full of people, dressed in bright colors, and singing the songs of the "Kulig." At every house they dance the characteristic dances of the occasion—the Krakomiak, the Mazur and the Oberek. The first is a very pretty and peculiar dance, in which the partners continually turn away from each other and then come face to face; the Mazur is something like the quadrille, though it is by no means the same; the Oberek resembles a waltz danced the reverse way and with a very pretty and characteristic figure, in which the man kneels on one knee and kisses his partner's hand. These are all most charming and pretty, and the Poles dance with enthusiasm as well as grace. They have many national customs and ceremonies which are occasions for dancing and pleasure. Then, in the autumn and winter, there is bear-hunting. In this way, with these varied amusements, the time passes in the country houses, and visitors will stay six weeks or perhaps six months.—*Temple Bar.*

A Pennsylvania woman, who thought she had used arsenic instead of baking powder in her biscuit, solved the question by feeding two tramps. Oh, the tender sensibilities of women! How many instances come to light from day to-day, to cheer us onward through this vale of tears.—*Lowell Courier.*

Analyses by M. E. Reyer indicate that the bronzes used by the ancients contained neither lead nor zinc, but were alloys of copper and tin, with small quantties of nickel, iron, phosphorus, and occasionally cobalt.

## SCRAPS OF NEWS.

There are weddings in view, and more to come.

"N. P. D." will be the proper initials to go on invitations. You who have daughters that are prospective brides, cypher this out, and then when you issue the cards of invitation, see to it that down in the left-hand corner these mystic words appear. N. P. D. You have no idea now how much comfort this will convey to many of those you will invite to "the house." The prevailing custom is that each person that receives a card, inviting them to the house, are also expected to bring or send a present for the bride, and in consequence of this, presents are made on the part of persons who can ill afford, from a financial standpoint, to do so, but they go along in the regular channel and think, "I must either do this, or be counted as not up to snuff, and be censured." Let the custom be dispensed with, and those who are able to give will give, and those not able nothing will be thought of it.

Smoking on a street car is very abominable, because it is an evidence of ill-breeding for persons to smoke in the presence of ladies. But the toothpick mania is a habit that prevails quite extensively, especially on street cars, and it is a strong evidence that there is a lack of training and manners close by when you observe persons picking their teeth in the company of others, unaided by a kerchief or napkin. Some persons keep the pick in their mouths, to give the appearance, "I've just lunched," and yet they have not always done so—just lunched. Others wear the pick to give the appearance of "the buffer," but the man who gets right down to digging in his mouth in public and then sucks his teeth is a ferocious social beast.

The drivers of the belt-line of street cars have a hard time of it; they get starvation wages, work sixteen hours out of twenty-four, and are not allowed to stop long enough to eat their meals, they have to take their victuals flying. Then their little darling children at home, these poor drivers never see them only when asleep, or when they are at home sick from overwork or cold, and under no pay from the soulless corporation that would work them into the jaws of death and then turn them out to die, just as they do their decrepid animals. Here is a case for the society for the prevention of cruelty to poor men.

Speaking about street cars, if a passenger enters a street car drunk and disorderly, and especially insulting to the lady passengers, and the conductor is afraid to, or will not, eject him, then you take the number of that car and report the facts to the superintendent. Such conduct as is nightly witnessed on the Avenue and Seventh street must be broken up. Ladies unaccompanied by gentleman must be protected. If the conductor will not protect passengers, there can be found a remedy.

Billy Kersands, the minstrel followed his wife to her grave last Monday, she having died suddenly of heart disease, while her husband was off with the Georgia minstrels. She was widely known in the district, being the daughter of Mr. Corwell, one of the oldest of our citizens. What a contrast the scene at the funeral to that daily witnessed by Mr. Kersands. Year after year by his genius, wit, and humor, a world has laughed at his jokes and mimicry. Now as the sad cortege moves to the cemetry, hats are kept in hands, and a genuine sympathy from those that know how to feel for a fellow mortal is extended.

The brain of a mulatto who died recently in Cincinnati was found on a post-mortem examination to weigh sixty-one ounces. There are on record but two brains heavier than this—Cuvier's, weighing sixty-four and one-third ounces, and Abercrombie's, sixty-three ounces. The dead man was not considered bright.—*Exchange.*

That is to say he was not a bright, intellectual mulatto, but he was a very bright, heavy-brained mulatto.

CONKLING IN WASHINGTON.

New York Sun: Senator Conkling was in town during the past week to argue a case before the Supreme Court. Although he was within the very shadow of the Senate Chamber when in the Supreme Court room he did not once enter the chamber nor has he ever crossed the threshold since he resigned his seat. Mr. Conkling has more friends in Washington than a great many persons who seek popularity with greater industry.—*Louisville, (Ky.,) Post.*

Indeed you are right. Here, Mr. Conkling is popular, and he is a favorite, not only with many of the higher official people, but with the lowly, from the hod-carrier on up stairs. There are a score of under people in this town, who, when they felt the strong unfeeling hand of cruel injustice from some time serving the government boss, always found a friend in the great New York Senator.

Far be it from a fact that those persons on the floor of Congress who make the greatest noise, or who have the largest say in the *Record*, are the most serviceable to their constituency. The real hard work that is done in Congress is performed by the quiet and diligent members who do not belong to the school of bombastic furioso. No one but those that are in a position to learn can verify how much real hard work is done by our two colored members. Mr. Lynch and General Smalls each have department work, alone, enough to keep them busy fully more than two-thirds of the time that a member ought to be expected to give to other duties than strict legislation. A habit of thinking that a Congressman must attend to every little minor matter of detail from legitimate official department business to ascertaining price-lists in stores, real estate, furnished rooms, the hotel prices, and a thousand and one things, prevails with many, very many people, who daily send their members letters and postals on all such things, and then get huffy, hot and howling mad if an immediate answer is not forwarded, and which, in a great many cases if not done, that member will feel the sting when he begins his next primary for re-election to Congress.

Mr. Joseph Morrison is aware now, if he was not before, how much he is thought of, respected and honored by the best people of this city. Fifteenth-street Church was a literal jam of our society folks to witness the knot-tieing between Mr. Morrison and Miss Annie Pleasants, one of the sweetest girls in all Washington. If we undertook to say who was there the least would make a column. Suffice is to say that a score of earnest friends were on hand to throw a shoe, and wish Mr. and Mrs. M. all the happiness, prosperity and future additions, such as can only be extended by genuine and loyal friends.

The President, so it seems, has not seen fit to nominate a colored man for District Commissioner. Mr. Milton M. Holland, who was a candidate for the position had an endorsement, stronger perhaps, than any one of his race ever taken to the White House. Mr. Holland was a soldier of distinction during the war, being one of the few in number that distinguished themselves on the field of glory, and drew out of the President a medal of honor as well as one from Congress, for heroic conduct and distinguished gallantey. Notwithstanding that the President has not thus far seen fit to recognize a colored man during his reign at the White House we do not despond; we are not ready to give up the hope we have in a man, who, when it was very dark and dangerous was then our friend. Time, however, will settle the matter as to whether or not we are to be ignored and entirely forgotten until we are again wanted. But there is no rubbing it out, things sometimes, just now, do look as if the leaders of the party were about to forget their "faithful allies."

If it turns out to be true that the next Democratic House of Representatives will appoint several colored men to the paying, reputable, recognized and honorable position that rumor alleges they will do, then the rail is split; for bear it in mind that colored men are more than tired of promises, made to the head and broke to the heart.

Very tired, indeed, are they of such promises as are made just before their valuable services are needed at the polls. We dont want so much patting on the back, and cant, political, bibilogical psalm singing orthodox, abolition, anti-slavery balderdash. What is wanted is something substantial, something in recognition of the voting power, something that is influential, profitable and honorable from the hands of the party that we so materically assist to power. The time is very close at hand for colored men to begin to do just as the Irish and German-Americans do, put their votes where they will do the most good. In the language of a member of the Virginia House of Delegates, "We cannot live on herrings and past recollections."

There is nothing that the Republican managers excell so well in, as they do in making promises to colored men before the day of election and then breaking faith afterwards. It may be that colored citizens will be compelled to break the color line by a Re-Adjuster movement, or a coalition with some other managers than Republicans.

There is no doubt but what this Congress will pass the bill to place Gen. Smalls, of South Carolina, on the navy retired list. Several leading Democrats have signified their intention to vote for it. The bill, when it comes up, will be fought by the I street, army and navy circle, the same crowd that have sworn no negro shall ever graduate from Annapolis, if we can help it. The I street aristocrats(?), we should say "shoddys," are the kind that sucked the government during the war, and now run the navy and army—socially, by which means they keep their relatives and friends and pets in soft places, and thus set up a class business which operates in favor of the chosen few, and against any and all who are not admitted to the mystic circle. What is the reason that some of our Congressmen, especially those who begin life as poor boys and worked their way up step by step, do not open fire on this army and navy ring is a wonder. The old adage holds good, possibly, "The nearest way to a man's heart is down his throat;" and this is the method employed by the nabobs of the army and navy social ring when they learn that a member is about to open upon them.

The *Teuton Sentinel* is sweeping and general in its onslaught on the Washington press. Please be kind enough, Mr. Herbert, to understand that all of us did not attack Miss Tilghman brutally. We did not, we know. We have on our staff a dramatic and musical man of long year's experience, and who writes very tenderly when on the female side of the fence.


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## TIMELY TOPICS.

The great industrial event of 1884 will be the World Cotton Centennial exposition, under the auspices of the National Cotton Planter's association. It will be the centennial of the cotton trade in America, as the first shipment was made in 1784, the whole amount exported during that year being eight bales.

A peculiar fungus has carried ruin into the numerous coffee plantations of Ceylon, the Fiji islands and Java, and dismay into the bosoms of their owners. It is even feared that the plant is doomed, like the grape, to gradual extinction unless some means of extinguishing its mortal enemy is discovered.

The wealth of the United States now exceeds that of either Great Britain or France, but the average wealth per capita is less here than in those countries. The wealth of the United States is $49,800,000,000, or $995 per capita; of Great Britain, $44,100,000,000, which is $1,200 per head; France, $37,100,000,000 or $1,045 per capita. In 1840 Great Britain's wealth was five times as great as that of the United States.

Over sixty corn canneries in the State of Maine annually put up 12,000,000 cans. An exchange has made an estimate of the cost at which corn is so prepared for the market. The farmer is said to receive three cents for the corn contained in the can, the tin and solder cost three cents, and the remainder, four or five cents, goes to the manufacturer for putting up and marketing. The cans contain twenty-six ounces of corn, so that farmers raise from 1,000 to 3,000 cans per acre, the average being about 1,500, giving a cash value of $45. There are several factories in Massachusetts, but Maine is said to put up one-third of the corn canned in the country.

The *Financier*, a new paper published in the City of Mexico, devotes considerable space to an earnest plea for a settlement of the national debt. It says that Mexico is justly bound to pay its creditors about $125,000,000. The $200,000,000 of debt contracted under Napoleon and Maximilian, when those worthies were striving to conquer Mexico, it believes, should not be paid, but be repudiated in toto. The *Financier* understands that the exchequer of the republic is in splendid condition, and it has no doubt that the country is on the straight road to an unprecedented prosperity. With her present resources, it sees no reason why Mexico cannot refund her entire debt at favorable rates. If new bonds at five per cent. were issued, the *Financier* would expect to see them taken up.

The extent of the lighthouse service is not generally known even in maritime circles. According to the latest report of the lighthouse board we have in all 723 lighthouses, thirty-eight lightships; sixty-four fog signals, operated by steam or hot air; 115 fog bells, operated by machinery; 860 beacon lights on Western rivers, 345 unlighted or day beacons, thirty-three automatic whistling buoys, fourteen automatic bell buoys and 3,377 buoys of other descriptions. To maintain and attend to all these lighthouses, lights and buoys requires the service of twenty-two steam tenders, four steam launches, two sailing tenders, 1,769 light keepers, "including laborers in charge of Western river lights," and 686 "other employes, including crews of lightships and tenders." The total annual expense of the lighthouse establishment and fog signals is $2,749,000.

So many shocking disasters occur in this mu h-traveling age that people are in some danger of forgetting the fact, long since established, that the risk of death, whether by land or water, is much less than a generation ago. The system of national inspection of steam vessels was established in 1851, in which year 39,000,000 passengers were carried, and 700 lives were lost by reason of accidents to steam boilers and hulls. During the past year the number of passengers transported was over nine times as great, or 354,000,000, and yet the number of lives lost was not one-third so many, the list footing up only 205, which was sixty-three less than in the previous year. It remains true, however, that many disasters occur to steam vessels which are inexcusable, and more careful inspection and supervision should still further reduce the proportion of fatality.

Astronomy is steadily enlarging the field of human knowledge regarding the different bodies in the solar universe, and the influence which they exert upon the atmospheric and electrical conditions of our earth. An important discovery, which may now be accepted as conclusively established, is the fact that great electrical storms are coincident with the appearance of immense spots on the sun's surface. Exactly what these sun-spots are nobody knows, but astronomers have now made sufficient study of their development and effect to determine their great influence upon our planet, and they should soon be able to predict, from the growth of a large spot on the sun, the probability of a great magnetic storm on the earth. Every such discovery is not only important in itself, but still more so for the promise it affords of still more valuable conclusions in the future.

The cable announced, a few days ago, that a fire in William Whiteley's London shops had caused damage estimated at $500,000. Whiteley's is an extraordinary establishment. Less than twenty years ago Mr. Whiteley opened, in what was then the extreme northwest of London, a little shop, with two assistants. To-day he is a universal purveyor, employing five thousand people and three hundred horses. His buildings cover fourteen acres, and he has, besides, an immense farm for supplying milk, garden produce, etc. This remarkable Yorkshire man is the greatest purveyor in the world. He undertakes to provide everything that a human being can desire, from earth, air and sea. He is baker, butcher, milkman, tailor, furniture maker, jeweler, builder, druggist, cobbler, banker, blacksmith, dealer in cattle, horses and wild beasts, florist, house agent and draper to all mankind, and will supply a tiger and rosebud with equal ease and promptness. His success has been largely due to his recognition of the fact that there was growing up around him a populous community, which, could he meet its wants, would be gladly saved the trouble of going farther.

The following story, told by the Sydney (Australia) *Mail*, is a horrible illustration of the inhuman barbarism that may still be found in certain quarters of the world: A young police offider was out with a detachment of colored "boys" hunting for some of the Myall tribe of blacks who had been suspected of stealing a quantity of flour. "They came upon a camp of Myalls," says the account, "surprised, surrounded them, and forced them to be hospitable. They ate their kangaroo, drank their water and made them corroboree. After all was ended, that the blacks might not get away in the night and steal more sheep, the officer said to his 'boys,' 'Just you pull out your revolvers and shoot them.' The 'boys' did not like to at first, but the officer was peremptory, and was obeyed. When the Myalls were killed there were three old women wailing, who did not seem worth keeping. 'Kill them, too,' said the officer, and they were killed. Three young gins (wives) were not killed; one of them was handcuffed about the ankles and tied to a sapling. The 'boys' rode on in the morning, leaving the officer and the young gin thus secured. Presently a stranger came along (and it is he who tells the story), and the two ate and drank together. When it became time to move it was remembered that the young gin was tied up. 'We must loose her first,' said the chief, and felt for the keys. He had no keys; the 'boys' had taken them away. What was to be done? 'I cannot lose my handcuffs,' he said, and before there was time for remonstrance he had drawn a pistol and shot the gin through the brain, and then hacked off her feet at the ankles, and so saved his irons."

Prepare for a destructive storm early next March! President Arthur has received the following letter, signed by Professor E. Stone Wiggins, L.L. D., astronomer of the Canadian finance department: "May it please Your Excellency—on the 23d of September last I announced through the Canadian press that a great storm would occur in March next; that it would first be felt in the Northern Pacific, would appear in the Gulf of Mexico on the 9th and, being deflected by the Rocky mountains, would cross this meridian from the west at noon of Sunday, March 11, 1883. No vessel, whatever her dimensions, will be safe out of harbor, and none of small tonnage can hope to survive the tidal wave and fury of this tempest. As the wind will blow from the southeast the planetary force will be sufficient to submerge the low lands of the American coast, especially those bordering on the Gulf of Mexico and washed by the Gulf stream, while the air currents for several hundred miles along the east side of the Rocky mountain range, owing to the great atmospheric pressure in those regions, will spread universal destruction. The New England States will also suffer severely from the wind and floods. No point outside of harbor in the whole area of the Atlantic, especially north of the equator, will be a place of safety, for this will be pre-eminently the greatest storm that has visited this continent since the days of your illustrious first President. In view of this event, therefore, I take the great liberty of representing to your excellency the advisability of ordering all United States ships into safe harbors not later than the 5th of March till this storm be passed."

### Animals Against Forests.

The destruction of trees and shrubs and consequent bare, bleak, dry, unproductive and unhealthy present condition of the islands and districts of Greece and the regions around, once famous for their charms of shade, verdure, fertility and populousness, is charged to the browzing of goats. The new government of Cyprus is considering how these animals can best be reduced or confined. Goats were introduced into another English island—Saint Helena—within a century, and the trees and shrubbery suddenly and rapidly died off so soon as they began to be numerous. The same obstacle in a different and less degree is a rock of stumbling in our attempts at forestry. A chief item of expense in many situations is that of fencing in the ground planted, until the trees attain a size unattackable by cattle. For best results, close planting and entire exclusion of animals are preferable. On most farms pasture is at times an utmost necessity. Every rod of ground that will yield any at all must be utilized. If there is no grass the foliage and even the stems of trees must serve. Hence, with the best of intentions for conservation, some unlucky day or pinching season occurs, when the hitherto well nursed plantation is browsed, broken and greatly injured, if not ruined.

### A Necklace with a History.

While in a large jewelry establishment on Broadway, writes a New York correspondent, I was shown a necklace whose history is quite romantic. It is composed of about fifty oriental pearls of the largest and most valuable description, held with a black jet clasp, set with two dazzling solitaire diamonds. It is valued at $40,000, and is said to be unmatched either in this country or abroad. It was the property of the family of the Duchess de Kaufraumont, and was presented by Napoleon Bonaparte. Its last owner was the Countess Petrovosky, a Russian lady, and near relative of the Kaufraumonts, who was living in St. Petersburg until misfortune compelled her to part with the precious pearls.

The death is announced of Mr. Barningham, an Englishman who rose from the position of a day laborer to be the possessor of works turning out 70,000 tons of rails a year, and the employer of 2,000 hands.

There are 17,999 persons on the payroll of the city of New York, and the aggregate of their salaries is $14,122,000. This gives an average for the year of more than $768 for each one.

### A Dinner With a Moral.

A story is related, says the author of "The Land of Dykes and Windmills," of an old Dutch merchant at Amsterdam who, having amassed a fortune in trade, determined to spend the remnant of his life in the quiet seclusion of his country house. Before taking leave of his city friends, he invited them to dine with him. The guests, on arriving at his residence, were surprised to see the extraordinary preparations that had been made for their reception. On a plain oak table covered with a blue cloth were some wooden plates, spoons and drinking vessels. Presently two old seamen brought in dishes containing herrings—some fresh, others salted or dried. Of these the guests were invited to partake; but it was clear that they had little appetite for such poor fare, and with considerable impatience they awaited the second course, which consisted of salt beef and greens. This also, when brought in, they did not seem to relish. At last the blue cloth was removed, and one of fine white damask substituted; and the guests were agreeably surprised to see a number of servants in gorgeous liveries enter with the third course, which consisted of everything necessary to form a most sumptuous banquet. The master of the house then addressed his friends in the following terms:

"Such, gentlemen, has been the progress of our republic. We began with short frugality, by means of which we became wealthy; and we end with luxury, which will beget poverty. We should therefore be satisfied with our beef and greens, that we may not have to return to our herrings."

### Fashionable Malaria.

It is wonderful how malaria is on he increase in our climate. It has positively become a fashionable ailment. If a young lady sits out under the trees till midnight with nothing on her head, or dances till daylight after a day's shopping or dressmaking, she is sure to have an attack of malaria. If a man spends two-thirds of a night in dissipating with boon companions, he is sure to have an attack of malaria next day. If a man interviews the bar a dozen times in the day, and has a seance with champagne or brandy punch in the evening, he complains of malaria for a week, and feels it in all his bones. The woman who shuts herself into close rooms, eats rich food, gets excited over her cook and dressmaker, goes out half dressed to a party in the evening, to come home utterly prostrated by a strain which would use up a day laborer, is sure that malaria is killing her, and insists that she must move or break up housekeeping altogether. A dozen ladies who meet at the sewing circle, dissect the characters in the neighborhood, stuff themselves with green tea, and the scandals each has carefully preserved for a month to have fresh for the occasion, are quite sick of the terrible sewer gas or the fatal miasma of that particular locality the next day. A child is badly fed and only half clothed, and kept out of the air like a wax image until he becomes too feeble to stand a strong whiff of air, and then malaria takes him off. Malaria, in fact, is the popular stalking horse, and we mount it on all occasions. But are we sure that we call things by their right names? If our habits were changed, would malaria be as prevalent?

### Hindoo Ideas.

A Hindoo has curious ideas as to the married state. Here is a husband's creed:—"A man, both day and night, must keep his wife so much in subjection that she by no means be mistress of her own actions. If the wife have her own free will, notwithstanding she is of a superior caste, she will go amiss. A woman shall never go out of the house without the consent of her husband, and shall act according to the orders of her husband, and shall pay proper respect to the Deity, her husband's father, the spiritual guide and her guests, and shall not eat until she has served them with victuals (if it is medicine, she may take it before they eat); a woman shall never go to a stranger's house, and shall not stand at the door, and must never look out of the window. If a woman, following her own inclinations, goes whithersoever she chooses, and does not regard the words of her master, such a woman shall be turned away. If a man goes on a journey his wife shall not divert herself by play, nor see any public show, nor laugh, nor dress herself with fine jewels or fine clothes, nor see dancing nor hear music, nor sit at the window nor ride out, nor behold anything choice or rare; but shall fasten well the house door and remain private; and shall not eat any dainty victuals, and shall not view herself in a mirror; she shall never exercise herself in any agreeable employment during the absence of her husband."

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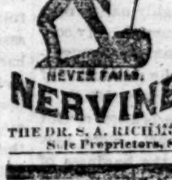

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